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REPORT NO.

TOPIC Central Motor-Vehicle Repair Shop at Berlin-Oberschoeneweide

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1. Incoming shipments observed at the Soviet central motor-vehicle repair shop SAG at Berlin-Oberschoeneweide between 28 February and 4 April 1952 included:

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the following engines from Zeesen, to be overhauled:

152 Chevrolet engines, 66 ZIS engines, 56 Ford engines, 54 Studebaker engines,  
and 19 Willys engines;  
and 3 Studebaker engines to be overhauled

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2. Outgoing shipments observed during the same period of time included:

12 new repair-shop trucks and one repair-shop trailer  
to Zeesen:

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24 overhauled jeeps to Zeosen;  
overhauled buses [redacted] to Zeosen;  
14 repair-shop truck bodies dispatched by rail to Markersdorf/Taura and  
consigned to Unit [redacted]  
the following overhauled engines dispatched to Zeosen:  
102 Chevrolet engines, 73 Willys engines, 70 ZIS engines,  
63 Studebaker engines, and 48 Ford engines;  
and new cylinder blocks, including 290 Studebaker blocks and 150 Willys  
blocks, dispatched to Ketschendorf [redacted]  
In addition, a number of overhauled engines was installed in motor  
vehicles, [redacted]

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3. In March 1952, a total of 30 repair-shop trucks were completed, about 450 engines and 20 jeeps were overhauled at the installation. The capacity of the present labor force should be at least 30 jeeps and could be increased by hiring additional workers.
4. In view of the regular shipments of replacement parts and supplies to Bernau, it is believed that a repair shop supplied by the SAG Oberschoeneweide is located there.
5. On 7 March 1952, a large group of Soviet officers with ranks up to colonel inspected the installation. The repair-shop trucks were demonstrated to the officers. The officers also checked a repair-shop truck which had been built on a three-axle ZIS chassis of a new design and which was equipped with a water sprayer. The officers arrived on buses [redacted]
6. On 23 March 1952, an officer of the shop went, with two overhauled jeeps, to Ketschendorf, where it will allegedly be decided to what extent the overhauling of jeeps will be continued. It will allegedly also be decided whether trucks will also be overhauled at the SAG.
7. In the first half of March 1952, the management of the repair shop gave dismissal notices to 50 workers. However, in late March and/or early April 1952, about 10 new workers were hired.

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[redacted] Comment. The reduction of capacity which is based on seasonal reasons was previously reported. [redacted] Another previous report stated that a large number of damaged motor vehicles have been shipped to the U.S.S.R. in exchange for the new motor vehicles which have been arriving from the U.S.S.R. since mid-February 1952. [redacted]

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[ ] Comment. [ ] belongs to the motor-vehicle replacement parts and tire depot of the GDRG in Fuersteneulde-Ketschendorf.

[ ] belongs to a motor-vehicle repair shop and replacement parts depot of the Eighth Gds Army in Markersdorf near Chemnitz.

[ ] Comment. Incoming and outgoing motor vehicles belong to units of the GDRG, the Air Force and the MdB; the Third Shock Army and the Eighth Gds Army; the First, Second and Third Gds Mecz Armies; and the IV Arty Corps.

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